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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 13, line 5 to page 14, line 2 with the following amended paragraph:

Furthermore, while the use of a blowing agent that decomposes into all gaseous species is generally preferred, the broader practice of the invention is not necessarily so limited, provided, that any resulting solid decomposition products do not substantially inhibit the combustion of the foamable igniter composition or are otherwise detrimental. Examples of useful blowing agents that typically produce or result in only gaseous products include: aminoguanidine bicarbonate, ammonium oxalate, azodicarbonamide, ammonium carbonate, ammonium carbamate, ammonium bicarbonate, 4,4'-oxydibenzene hydrazide, p-toluene sulfonyl semicarbazide and organic acids. ~~Other useful blowing agents that generally decompose to only gaseous products includes solvents such as, but not limited to, acetone, ethyl acetate, butyl acetate and amyl acetate.~~ Additional useful blowing agents that generally decompose leaving some solids include: alkali and alkaline earth metal carbonates or bicarbonates, such as basic copper carbonate, metal ammine carbonates such as copper diammine carbonate, metal ammine salts of organic acid such as copper diammine oxalate, and metal salts of organic acids, for example. In accordance with certain preferred embodiments, the blowing agent included in the foamable igniter composition is p-toluene sulfonyl semicarbazide.